

## This Week at Saint James Parish

*Sunday, January 31*

The Altar Society will be serving their wonderful goodies this morning.

Religious Education Classes:

All ages K—12 meet in the Upper Hall after the 11 am Mass

*Wednesday, February 3*

Tai Chi Class — 1 pm, Upper Hall

*Thursday, February 4*

RCIA — 7 pm, Upper Hall

*Friday, February 5*

Church Cleaning — 7:30 am, Church

*Saturday, February 6*

Reconciliation — 3:30 pm, Church

## Upcoming Events at St. James

Mark your calendars!

### Parish Potluck



Join us next Sunday, February 7th, at 5 pm. Bring your favorite dish: Casserole, salad, side, or dessert (enough for your family and extra to share). Stay, visit, enjoy a pleasant evening of great food & socialization.

### Blood Drive at St. James

On Monday, February 8th, from 1:30 to 6:30 pm, you are invited to give blood. For more information contact parishioner, Deb Elliott at 695-9295.

### Vietnamese New Year Celebration Mass

On Sunday, February 14th, the Vietnamese Mass at St. James will be at 2 pm.

### Adult Confirmation Preparation

Any adults who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to participate in our set of preparation classes. The classes will begin Sunday, February 14th. They will be held immediately after the 11:00 Mass and last about an hour (12:10—1:10). The Confirmation will take place at the Easter Vigil Mass on April 3rd.

*If you are interested, please contact Joseph Salazar in the Parish Office, 360-693-3052.*

### Shrove Tuesday Supper, Raffle & Bingo

Come to the Ham & Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 16th, from 5 to 7 pm. Start Lent off with your St. James friends. Enjoy a traditional pre-Lenten supper and try your hand at Bingo. The cost is \$5—adults, \$2.50—children and \$13—family.

Remember to send in your raffle tickets. This year the first prize is \$300.



### Newly Repainted Sacred Heart Statue

Within the next few days our beloved statue of Jesus will be returning home!

### Church Windows Renovation Project

We will be fixing the window that was broken in an act of vandalism (located to the east of the main entrance to the Church). Once the scaffolding is in place we will also be renovating the other 18 windows that are at that south end of the Church. The total cost of this project is estimated at \$120,000.

### Oberammergau Passion Play Tour

There is still space on the trip to Oberammergau this August. This Passion Play is a once-in-every-ten-year experience. Think about this as the trip of a lifetime!

- Highlights include: Paris, an Eiffel Tower Dinner, Seine River Cruise, TGV train, Strasbourg, Alsace Wine Route, Wurzburg, Winery Visit, Nuremberg and the final day, Oberammergau Passion Play.
- 11 days, 14 meals (9 breakfasts, 1 lunch & 4 dinners)
- Land Only Rates, per person: Double, \$3,599; Single \$4,299. Airfare will be arranged later.
- Dates are August 6—16, 2010 For more information call Delores at 800-622-5588.



### Tax Statements

The end of year donor tax statements have been mailed out. If you were expecting one and did not receive one, then please contact the parish office.

## MASS INTENTIONS



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### Offerings of Treasure for January 24th

Regular Offering	\$6,406.45
Capital Campaign	\$1,500.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$130.00
Haiti Relief	\$13,511.70

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## *Adult Faith Formation*

### ***CRS distributes food from Haitian warehouses and Dominican Republic***

Although getting basic supplies such as food and water to the hundreds of thousands left homeless by Haiti's earthquake has been a Herculean task, aid workers were finding ways around traffic blockades, crowds of people and the country's lack of infrastructure. Catholic Relief Services, which is coordinating the church's relief and recovery efforts in Haiti, was able to get a jump-start on distributing aid because it already had warehouses filled with supplies in Haiti set up after the 2008 hurricanes in the region.

CRS volunteers and staff in the Dominican Republic were purchasing and assembling boxes of food, to deliver to Port-au-Prince. The ultimate goal was to have enough boxes of prepared food to feed 50,000. The agency was sending additional supplies from the Dominican Republic: water storage containers and water purification tablets for 2,000 families; and plastic sheeting, water storage containers, mosquito nets and hygiene kits to serve an additional 500 families. Amid the work of distributing basic supplies, CRS also has experts on the ground to determine how to respond to water and sanitation conditions, shelter and medical needs.

CRS, the U.S. bishops' international relief and development agency has been working in Haiti for 55 years. Prior to the earthquake, more than 300 staffers were already in Haiti and more than 100 were based in Port-au-Prince.

*From zenit.org*

*Thank you for your support for the people in Haiti. Last weekend's second collection showed the love and generosity of the people in our parish.*

### ***The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for February 2010***



General Intention:  
For Scholars

*For all scholars and intellectuals, that by means of sincere search for the truth they may arrive at an understanding of the one true God.*

Missionary Intention:

For the Church's Missionary Identity

*That the Church, aware of its own missionary identity, may strive to follow Christ faithfully and to proclaim His Gospel to all peoples.*

## **COMMUNITY UPDATE**

### ***Birthright: Volunteers Needed***

Bring your compassion for pregnant women in need to Birthright. Caring makes the difference. Don't hesitate. We'll train you and work with your schedule. Shifts can be shared. The need to support the choice for life is great. Call 694-8156 or speak with fellow parishioner, Juli Pirak at 699-1600.

### ***Project Rachel***

*Upcoming Rachel's Vineyard Retreat  
2/19/2010 — 2/21/2010, in Longbranch, WA*

When you have experienced an abortion, you need a time to grieve your loss and reflect on your feelings of sorrow and regret. Project Rachel is there to help you do that in a supportive and confidential environment. They are there to listen to you and to help you through your pain. This program of the Catholic Church offers healing to anyone suffering emotional and spiritual pain resulting from a past abortion. Contact (always completely confidential): Valerie — 1-800-822-HOPE (4673), Español — 206-450-7814, Email: [valeriepr@aol.com](mailto:valeriepr@aol.com).

### ***Helping Catholics Come Home***

This course consists of four live and interactive video broadcasts which you can access via the Internet from 7-8:30 pm on Thursday night during the month of February. For your convenience, sessions will also be available on-demand. The cost is \$20 for the entire four-session course which you can access from the convenience of your own home computer. These sessions are designed to help individuals discover the treasures of the Catholic faith and equip them with the knowledge and tools necessary to share their faith with confidence and clarity to friends, family and anyone they meet.

*For more information call 1-888-765-9269 or simply log-on to [MyCatholicFaith.org](http://MyCatholicFaith.org) to register.*

**HOLY HUMOR** — She wasn't aware of the new cell phone laws

